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SUBJ: DISCUSSION WITH CHINESE AMBASSADOR

1. AT ROMANIAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION AUGUST 23, AMBASSADOR LIU HSIN-CHUAN TOOK INITIATIVE IN ENGAGING ME IN TEN-MINUTE CONVERSATION. AT OUTSET HE NOTED THAT HE WISHED TO PAY RETURN CALL AT A MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIME (MOSCOW 7557).

2. IN RESPONSE TO MY QUERY REGARDING HIS REACTION TO MENTION OF BANDUNG PRINCIPLES BY BREZHNEV AT ALMA ATA, AMBASSADOR LIU, WITH BROAD SMILE, REPLIED, "PURE PROPAGANDA."

3. WHEN I ASKED ABOUT NEWS REPORTS OF PARTY OR GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITY IN PEKING, AMBASSADOR LIU MERELY REPLIED THAT HIS EMBASSY WAS UNINFORMED, ALTHOUGH HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOMETHING WAS GOING ON.

4. AMBASSADOR LIU'S MAIN INTEREST SEEMED TO BE IN
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POSSIBILITY OF PARTICIPATION OF US BUSINESS INTERESTS

IN DEVELOPMENT OF SIBERIA. IN REPLY, I CALLED ATTENTION
TO LETTERS OF INTENT RECENTLY SIGNED BY OCCIDENTAL
PETROLEUM AND EL PASO GAS, ADDING, THAT ACTUAL PARTICIPA-
TION IN DEVELOPMENT OF GAS RESOURCES AT YAKUTIA DEPENDED
UPON A SERIES OF DETERMINATIONS. THESE INCLUDED MORE
KNOWLEDGE ABOUT PROVEN RESERVES, TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY,
ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF PROJECT, AND MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE
CREDIT TERMS. IN ANSWER TO HIS QUESTION, I INDICATED
THAT JAPANESE PARTICIPATION WAS ALSO FORESEEN IN THIS
PARTICULAR PROJECT.
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